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Serial No.: 10/619,231

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Wilbur H. Crawley Art Unit: 1724  
Serial No.: 10/619,231 Examiner: Pham, Minh Chau Thi  
Filed: July 14, 2003  
For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR FLUSHING ASH FROM A  
DIESEL PARTICULATE FILTER

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE**

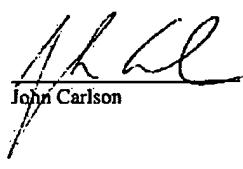
Dear Sir:

Applicant responds to the first Office Action from the Examiner mailed July 20, 2004 as follows:

Remarks begin on page 5.

**CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION**

I hereby certify that the enclosed Response is being sent via facsimile to 703-872-9306 on October 20, 2004.

  
John Carlson